

MARKED-UP VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

Page 1, line 35 of the specification, the paragraph starting on this line has been amended as follows:

The circularly-polarized light separation plate can comprise a cholesteric liquid crystal layer. The cholesteric liquid crystal layer can be obtained as a liquid crystal polymer layer that is ~~Granjean-oriented~~ Grandjean-oriented on a transparent polymer substrate via an orientation film. The cholesteric liquid crystal layer can have a superimposed structure of plural cholesteric liquid crystal layers different from each other in the helical pitch of the ~~Granjean~~ Grandjean orientation. The thus obtained circularly-polarized light separation plate can reflect circularly polarized light in a wide wavelength range including a visible light range.

Claims 2, 4-5 and 15 have been amended as follows:

2. (Amended) The polarizing element according to claim 1, wherein the reflective polarizing plate is ~~selected from the group consisting of a linearly-polarized separation plate, a circularly-polarized light separation plate, and a combination of a circularly-polarized light separation plate and a retardation plate.~~

4. (Amended) The polarizing element according to claim 3, wherein the cholesteric liquid crystal layer is a liquid crystal polymer layer that is ~~Granjean-oriented~~ Grandjean-oriented on a transparent polymer substrate via an orientation film.

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REMARKS

By the present amendment, the specification has been amended, claims 2, 4-5 and 15 have been amended and claims 18-24 have been added.

Support for the amendments is found in the original application, in particular in claims 2-7.

In the event there is, in the Examiner's opinion, any outstanding issue and such issue may be resolved by means of a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of the response period. Please charge the fee for such extension and any other fees which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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